

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: James Moore House Inventory Number: CE-1003
Address: Telegraph Road (Route 273) Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ X no
City: Fair Hill vicinity Zip Code: 21921 County: Cecil
USGS Quadrangle(s): Newark West
Property Owner: MD DNR Tax Account ID Number: 021266
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 385 Tax Map Number: 13
Project: DNR Razings Agency: DNR
Agency Prepared By: _____
Preparer's Name: Catherine Masek Date Prepared: 10/26/2008

Documentation is presented in: MD Inventory of Historic Properties form for Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area, #CE-1434, #7- pages 12-13 & #8- page 34, 2004. MD Inventory of Historic Properties form for James Moore House, #CE-1003, 2008.

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☐ Eligibility recommended ☒ X Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:

Name of the District/Property: _____

Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ no Listed: ☐ yes ☐ no

Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ X no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The James Moore House does not appear to meet the standards for eligibility for nomination to the National Register.

Criterion A:

No evidence has been uncovered that would associate the James Moore House with an important event or trend in history, as required by Criterion A. It was owned for approximately 40 years by William duPont Jr. who utilized this and other properties in the Fair Hill area for his horse racing and fox chasing interests. However, this was not a house occupied by duPont, nor by any of his family or guests. The historic property does have a connection with 20th century recreation, but that did not occur until after 1975, when Fair Hill NRMA was created and eventually opened to the public. This association with public recreation is therefore, too recent to be considered.

Criterion B:

No persons of significance are known to be associated with this site, as required by Criterion B. While duPont owned the house, he never occupied the house, nor did his family or guests. DuPont owned approximately 50 historic houses/ barns in the Fair Hill area, and while he is associated with local (Delaware) industry and with recreation, his interest in these properties was for their land and their contiguous boundaries, where his fox chases would occur.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒ X

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

MHT Comments:

Jonathan Sager
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, National Register Program

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Criterion C:

The James Moore House does stand on its original location, with original foundation. The 2004 MIHP form for Fair Hill NRMA suggests on p. 34 that the house does possess integrity and significance under Criterion C, but the interior was not viewed nor evaluated at that time. Numerous alterations have occurred, including replacement of all exterior doors and porches, removal of all interior mantels, relocation of fireplace, majority of windows altered. There have been a significant number of alterations at the property that negatively affect the eligibility of the James Moore House for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended _____

Eligibility not recommended _____

Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G

MHT Comments:

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services_____
Date_____
Reviewer, National Register Program_____
Date

CAPSULE SUMMARY

James Moore House

MIHP # CE-1003

Telegraph Rd. (MD RTE. 273)

Fair Hill vicinity, MD

c. 1870-1877, c. 1900

Public- within Fair Hill NRMA

The James Moore House is located within the Fair Hill Natural Resource Management Area, approximately one mile east of Fair Hill, MD. The fieldstone and frame house is accessed from the paved MD Rte 273, Telegraph Rd. South of this road is a paved entrance driveway (also one of the park entry roads) which gently slopes to higher ground south of the house where many park-related structures have been constructed. There are views from the house of MD Rte 273 to the north and fields and a race track to the west. There is another race track, Cecil County Fair related structures and barns within 200 yards to the south, forested areas and a bridge to the east. Land on all sides of the Moore house is included within the Fair Hill NRMA, including land across MD Rte. 273 to the north and as far as the Pennsylvania state boundary line.

The two and a half story L-shaped, cross-gable roofed house, built on a full one story red fieldstone basement was completed c. 1870-1877. A two story gable roofed addition to the south dates to c. 1900/ early 20th century. The entire house has horizontal wood siding above foundation level, which has been covered with asbestos shingle. There is a one story shed roofed addition on the east and another on the west side- both constructed in the 20th century. While the historic massing, location and much of the second floor and half story attic remain intact, there have been unsympathetic changes and alterations made to the structure. These include: removal and alteration of all interior fireplace openings/ mantels, replacement of all exterior wood doors, removal of exterior wood porches and their replacement with concrete ones, and alteration of all windows. A bank barn, standing about 200 yards southeast of the house, was historically associated with the house. It has been altered for use as an activities building by the Cecil County Fair.

The James Moore House does not appear to be eligible for nomination to the National Register because of both losses of historic architectural materials and installation of modern materials, so that it no longer possesses integrity and significance individually.

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1. Name of Property

historic James Moore House

other

2. Location

street and number Telegraph Road (MD Rte 273)

not for publication

city, town Fair Hill

☒ vicinity

county Cecil

3. Owner of Property

(give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Maryland's Department of Natural Resources

street and number 580 Taylor Avenue, Tawes State Office Building

telephone 410-260-8932

city, town Annapolis

state MD

zip code 21401

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Clerk of the Circuit Court

liber WAS347 folio 415

city, town Elkton

tax map 13

tax parcel 385

tax ID number 021266

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources
previously listed in the Inventory

1

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Summary:

The James Moore property is located in Cecil County, on Telegraph Road, MD Rte 273, about a mile east of the intersection with MD Rte 213. It is located outside Fair Hill, Cecil County and within the Department of Natural Resources' 5,000+ acre Fair Hill Natural Resource Management Area (NRMA). It is located on a small rise of land on the south side of the paved MD Rte 273, facing said paved road, and the entry lane (now a park entry) is located about 10 yards east of the house. There are views from the house of Rte 273 to the north, fields and a race track to the west, another race track, Cecil County Fair related structures and barns are less than 200 yards south, forested areas and a bridge to the east. Land on all sides of the Moore house are included within the Fair Hill NRMA, including land across Rte 273 to the north and as far as the Pennsylvania state boundary line.

The two and ½ story L-shaped, cross-gable roofed house, built on a red fieldstone basement, has horizontal wood siding above foundation level, which has been covered with asbestos shingle. There is a one story shed roofed addition on the east and another on the west side. While there have been alterations and additions at first floor level, including interior parlor fireplace, kitchen and bath, and windows, the second floor and ½ story attic level are largely intact. The only known outbuilding to be associated with the farmhouse that is still standing is a stone and frame bank barn located about 200 yards away and now altered for county fair usage.

Comprehensive Description:

This simple frame farmhouse built c. 1870, with rear additions of c. 1900, faces north towards two lane MD Rte 273 or Telegraph Rd. While there is a full one story fieldstone basement under the front or north section, a stuccoed fieldstone foundation exists under the entire frame house. Basement windows have also been covered with stucco-like material. The three bay by one bay main house and all subsequent additions have asphalt shingle roofs. The earliest and northernmost two story section dates c. 1870 with two stories and ½ stories above ground and one story below ground.

1 In the basement are hand adzed rough hewn perimeter joists, 4 covered basement windows, one basement window evident near basement stair, random laid stone foundation walls, dirt floor, re-laid fireplace foundation, and joists located in a north-south direction supporting the first floor.

A two story gable roofed addition was added to the south in the early 20th century. Additionally, two one story shed roofed additions were made to the south in the early 20th century. Wooden porches were rebuilt in concrete on the north façade and the east façade. Windows, other than those in the west one story addition, are 1/1 paned and have been altered to hold triple track storm/ sash windows. Historic window shutters do not exist.

On the north or front façade, four concrete steps lead to a concrete floored, shed roofed, one story front porch, which is the length of the three bays. The original wood porch was replaced with current concrete porch c. 1965 by Howard Skinner's parents, who lived there at the time. 2 The main entrance is located in the center of the 3 bays. The main door, which is covered by a metal mid 20th century storm/screen door, is a 20th century replacement door. It is partially glass and partially paneled (similar to other exterior doors). There is a two paned transom located above the main door. The original late 19th century ornately carved wood paneled door is stored in the basement.

Upon entering the first floor through the main door in the front or north facade, the entry room or hall is approximately 16' x16' and may have been originally an informal living room space with the more formal parlor, used for entertaining guests, to the right where the current fireplace is located. In the northeast corner of the entry room is a triangularly plastered corner, which probably contains a corner fireplace (based upon basement, 2nd floor and attic investigations.) The historic mantel has been removed and/or destroyed. The original heavy blockish staircase, baseboard, door and window frames (all in what appears to have original varnish finish) exist in this room. An improvised corner closet (early 20th c. alteration) was constructed in the entry hall opposite the basement entrance door.

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The first floor closet and basement stair are actually located within the main block of the house, but later enclosed within the kitchen. The original interior basement stair is intact and an original rear (south) basement window is evident upon descending the stair. All other basement windows have been covered with wood and covered with stucco like material on the exterior. A full height stone walled, dirt floored basement exists underneath the parlor and entry hall room, but not kitchen. It appears that modifications and new grouting has occurred at the random laid east fireplace foundation in the basement.

To the west of the entry hall on the first floor is the parlor, approximately 12' x 16', which also contains original baseboard and window frames, but whose fireplace and mantel have been altered. A mid 20th century exposed brick fireplace has been constructed with a raised hearth and adjacent built in bookcase. Like the entry hall, the original Victorian wood mantel has been removed and/or destroyed.

To the east of the entry hall is a glass enclosed porch, which was added under Mr. duPont's ownership, when the structure was occupied by a tenant. This porch opens to the south onto a concrete side porch. Originally a wood porch, with more ornately carved and turned posts and brackets, a concrete floored porch replaced it in c. 1965. 3

To the south of the entry hall is a large kitchen, approximately 15 x 14', which has been modernized. The two story kitchen wing was a c. 1900 addition to the north main block. This is evidenced by the fact that the southeast attic or ½ story window on the rear (south) façade is covered by the roofline of the kitchen addition and the basement level window located on the basement staircase wall no longer opens to the exterior, but opens into a dirt floored 3' height crawl space beneath the kitchen. The two story kitchen addition was thus, built a short time after the main block. If a rear section existed originally, it was smaller in size. A one story 20th century utility or mud room is located west of the kitchen. (Washer, dryer and ½ bath are located in this room.) A brick flue is located in the south wall of the kitchen and is also evident in the bedroom above.

On the second floor there are three bedrooms and a full bathroom. Intact are the 4-panel wood doors, their frames, baseboards, and radiator heating. Second floor door hardware (iron or porcelain knobs) is also more intact than at first floor level. The second floor staircase, including block-ish varnished newel post and railing, is intact.

In the main block, there is a bedroom over the entry hall, in which a modern mid 20th c. closet has been inserted. The corner chimney rises from below, again without mantel, but simply a plastered protruding corner.

Above the parlor on the second floor is another bedroom. A corner closet is located in this room with narrow 4 panel door. A second closet in this room is located beneath the attic staircase, which is accessed via the 2nd floor hall between the two bedrooms in the main block.

Above the kitchen, on the second floor, south of the staircase, is located a full modernized mid 20th century bath. South of the bath is a bedroom. In this third bedroom, the kitchen flue rises on the south wall, adjacent to a modern 20th century closet.

The ½ storied finished attic is accessed by a door in the 2nd floor hall located between the two front or north bedrooms. There are 2 steps in front of the door and a set of steps inside the door leading upstairs. The attic or ½ story is located only over the north gable roofed main block. The wood floored plaster walled space is divided into two rooms, one to the east and one to the west of the staircase. Windows are located opposite one another in each room. Two windows are located on the north or front façade and two on the south or rear façade. The southeast window is enclosed by the gable

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roofline of the kitchen addition. The four attic level windows are each 31" square 2 paned casements. At the top of the original attic stair/ railing, there are several layers of deteriorating asbestos sheet flooring in varying patterns. There is also evidence at attic level of the east corner chimney being removed/ relocated. The condition of the building is fair. Paint and wood deterioration, deterioration of roofing materials and insect / animal entry are all evident. Conditions were good at the time of the 1998 survey by Charles Mazurek and that in 1979 by John Hnedak.

Several outbuildings once stood around the house, but, according to interviews, were demolished by 1990. 4 A small barn (built by Mr DuPont in the early 20th c.) once stood southwest of the house near the current parking area for the house. A corncrib that dated c. 1870-1900 was located near this barn. A cesspool for the sewer system was located east of the house, across the entrance drive. The current entrance drive was changed in height/ level, when Rte 273 was widened in c. 1960. The only standing historic outbuilding associated with this property is an early 20th century bank barn located approximately 200 yards southeast of the house. The three bay rubble red fieldstone foundation is situated so that the long axis of the barn runs with the lie of the hill. The forebay is located on the protected east side. Concrete block and Portland cement fill openings on this side and no animal stalls/ barnyard exist. A grassy slope on the west elevation leads to the center doorway, which has modern sliding wood doors. The exterior above the foundation is clad in modern horizontal siding. While the 2004 Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area MIHP form, CE-1434, states the barn has a standing seam metal roof, the roof is currently covered with a composition shingle with modern guttering. The structure has been adapted for use by the Cecil County Fair as an "activity center." While modernized, the building is good condition. Around this barn are structures not associated with the Moore house; that is, to the south of this barn and immediately adjacent are six large 20th century barns and to the southwest are late 20th century bathroom buildings and two horse race courses. The one mile turf track has associated grandstands and the three mile steeplechase course also has related bleachers. (The 2004 MIHP form for the Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area includes detail about the wide variety of horse race and fox chase related construction across the park.) All of these structures are associated with park related events and the Cecil County Fair.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates northernmost section of house- c. 1870-77, two story addition- c. 1900

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Summary:

The James Moore House, while altered, is a simple two story farmhouse of the late 19th century. Historically, the house was probably a tenant house and in the early 20th century was associated with either the McCormick (also known as McCormack) or Nolan family, who owned property in this area and had principal dwellings that were located south or west of the Moore House. 5 During the 1920's-1950's William duPont Jr. was acquiring properties in the Fair Hill area to accommodate his interests in fox chasing, horse racing and animal husbandry. The Moore House was transferred to a representative of duPont, such as Foxcatcher Hounds, Inc., between 1925 and 1935. Eventually duPont's acreage totaled over 5000 acres (within Maryland) in the Fair Hill area. 6 Upon transfer to the State of Maryland's Department of Natural Resources in 1975, the James Moore House property was included within one of the three large parcels described in 24 pages of property description, specifically, that which was identified as "Fair Hill Farm." The James Moore house was associated with duPont longer than with any other owner, and continually was updated and modernized for his tenants.

Narrative discussion:

Historical association: Before William DuPont Jr.'s representative purchased the James Moore property in c. 1925-35, 7 it was most likely a tenant house on the Fair Hill Farm. Corn, wheat and oats were most likely harvested, since these were the primary commodities of Cecil County in the late 19th-early 20th century. Grist and sawmills existed within a mile of the house through the early 20th century, and were operated by members of the Strahorn and Scott families. 7 The nearby Elkton depot of the Wilmington and Susquehanna Railroad allowed for purchase and transfer of goods. As duPont was becoming interested in the Fair Hill area for future purchase, the average farm in the county was 100 acres and farmland in the Fair Hill area was considered better than southern parts of the county. 8 William DuPont Jr., who primarily lived and worked in Wilmington, DE, began to acquire a large number of properties in the nearby Fair Hill, MD area in the 1920's to accommodate his hobbies of horse raising/ racing and fox chasing. Usually this transfer occurred via a representative, such as Stockford Farms, Inc., Foxcatcher Hounds, Inc, Fair Hill Inc. or Delaware Land Development Company. This practice occurred throughout the first half of the 20th century, and these large acquisitions (12-20 properties at once) often were re-conveyed into new corporations. The eventual 7,000+ acres included lands to the south as far as Cherry Hill, MD, north into Pennsylvania, east towards Appleton and the Elk Creek and west along Rte 213. Under duPont's ownership in the 1930's, the James Moore House was used as a tenant house for Mr. DuPont and housed several of his employees and their families over the next 40 years. Some of the occupants have included the property's Superintendent, Master of the Hounds, policeman, and most recently, Ayers family. Other houses on the property accommodated duPont employees and their families and these were all vacated about 1980. 9 A descendant of the duPont family of Delaware, famous for their production of gunpowder during the early 19th century, and among other business interests, the production of manmade or "miracle" synthetic fabrics, like nylon, in the mid 20th century, William DuPont Jr. had as his primary residence the historic "Bellevue" in Wilmington, DE, near the current Delaware Race Track (which he designed). (His sister, Marian, who married Randolph Scott also lived and raised horses at Montpelier, in Orange County, VA, where both duPont children had been raised as children.) The thousands of acres that he eventually purchased in the vicinity of Fair Hill were for the entertainment of him and his guests. Bridges were

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constructed at Fair Hill to allow the fox chase to cross Rte 273, dog kennels constructed, specific type of fencing, roads, etc. were all designed with consideration for the horse, dog and fox. There were 17 miles of fencing constructed alone, which required poured concrete underground barriers, so that foxes could not go beneath the fencing. 10 There were several kinds of horse barns constructed on both sides of MD Rte. 273, tracks for racing horses, and training facilities for various types of competition. Cattle, another interest of duPont's, were housed and fed in about 6 large barns north and east of the Moore House and some of his staff was in charge of the care, feeding and breeding of such animals. Copies of 1970's photographs of these barns are included. There were, in summary, activities at Fair Hill that varied, from construction, to dog training, breeding, racing, animal husbandry. It is interesting to note that the Moore house was in private use as a farmhouse for less time than it was associated with duPont and used by his employees. Following the death of duPont, the State of MD's Department of Natural Resources acquired the Moore house as part of a 5000+ acre conveyance in 1975. The park area became more publicly accessible and available for public events, such as the Cecil County Fair, Scottish Games, local and regional horse and animal shows, the Fair Hill races, fishing, hiking and canoeing. For a time, half the park was leased to local farmers for farming and farm buildings leased yearly. Cecil County housed an Agricultural Agent and his family on the Fair Hill property to offer assistance with these farming pursuits. 11 Various public employees associated with Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area occupied the Moore house until about 2000.

Architecturally, the James Moore house exemplifies a small simple farmhouse of the 1870's. Both the house and barn were built on local red fieldstone foundations. Wood siding was utilized above the foundation of this L-shaped two story house. Certain changes to the house have detracted from its architectural integrity, including the 20th century removal of interior fireplace mantels, modification of the parlor fireplace wall, replacement of exterior wood doors, removal of wooden exterior porches and their replacement with concrete ones, and all window alterations. Geographically, the house had been ideally sited. The west façade, approached by storms, had the least number of windows, and the porches were constructed on the north near shade trees, and on the protected east façade. Likewise the bank barn was sited so as to provide maximum protection for livestock. The upper story and entrance is on the west façade, while the forebay and lower livestock stalls were located on the east side of the barn. Like the house, the bank barn has been continually in use, altered and modernized as required. Attached is a photograph of the barn from the 1970's.

FOOTNOTES

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The house does not appear on the 1858 map of Cecil County by Simon Martenet, but does appear on the 1877 Map of Cecil County by Griffing and Stevenson. Marked map copy attached.

2

Per August 15, 2008 interview with Mr. Howard Skinner, previous employee of Mr. William duPont Jr. for approximately 50 years.

3

Per interview with Mr. Howard Skinner, August 15, 2008.

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The discussion of outbuildings is per August 15, 2008 interviews with Mr. Howard Skinner, Mr. Michael Harvey, Jr. and Mr. Wayne Suydam.

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The property is identified as James Moore house on the 1877 map by Lake, Griffing and Stevenson, and does not exist on previously made maps of Cecil County. McCormick or McCormack is listed as owner of property south and west of the Moore house where the steeplechase course is located, and because boundaries are unknown, may have included this parcel. Nolan is noted as owner of this area (boundary unclear) in the 1929 State Roads Commission right of way map of 1929. Interviews with park employees, past park employees and with retired employees of duPont suggested that the property was purchased by William duPont Jr. in the late 1920's- early 1930's. The 1975 deed to DNR includes 24 pages of property description, in which three large parcels are described and twelve previous property owners for each parcel. From the descriptions given of the three parcels, and deed search into the 36 previous owners, it was clear that the James Moore house was contained within Fair Hill Farm, described as parcel #3 in the 1975 deed. A partial deed search led back to re-conveyances, in which large parcels were re-defined and conveyed to various corporations which were duPont controlled. Assessment records of the 1920's and 1930's did not provide the name of a duPont representative, a Moore or other name expected to be associated with this property. Concluding all deed searches, the property could not be traced from a duPont representative to James Moore.

6

MIHP form for Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area, CE-1434, 2004.

7

MIHP form for Fair Hill NRMA, 2004.

8

Pamela J. Blumgart. At the Head of the Bay: A Cultural and Architectural History of Cecil County, Maryland. 1996, page 113.

9

Per interview with Mr. and Mrs. David Dudkewicz, October 30, 2008.

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Per interview with Mr. and Mrs. David Dudketwicz, October 30, 2008.

11

Per interview with Mr. Ted Haas, October 3, 2008.

Criteria Evaluation:

Criterion A: No evidence has been uncovered that would associate the James Moore House with an important event or trend in history, as required by Criterion A. It was owned for approximately 45 years by William duPont Jr. who utilized this and other properties in the Fair Hill area for his horse racing and fox chasing interests. However, this was not a house occupied by duPont, nor any of his family or guests. The historic property does have a connection with 20th century public recreation, but that did not occur until after 1975, when Fair Hill NRMA was created and eventually opened to the public. This association with public recreation is therefore, too recent to be considered.

Criterion B: No persons of significance are known to be associated with this site, as required by Criterion B. While duPont owned the house, he never occupied the house, nor did his family or guests. DuPont owned approximately 50 historic houses/barns in the Fair Hill area, and while he is associated with local industry and with recreation, his interest in

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these properties was for their land and their contiguous boundaries, where his fox chases would occur.

Criterion C: The James Moore House does stand on its original location, with original foundation. The 2004 MIHP form for Fair Hill NRMA suggests on p. 34 that the house does possess integrity and significance under Criterion C, but the interior was not viewed nor evaluated at that time. Numerous alterations have occurred, including replacement of all exterior doors and porches, removal of all interior mantels, relocation of fireplace, majority of windows altered. There have been a significant number of alterations at the property that negatively affect the eligibility of the James Moore House for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Criterion D: No evidence has been uncovered which would indicate a prehistoric or archaeological site, nor has information indicated a need for investigation of the James Moore House site.

In conclusion, there is insufficient evidence to consider the James Moore House eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Primary sources:

Harvey, Michael. James Moore house property, Fair Hill vic., MD. Meeting and interview, 15 August 2008.

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Hass, Ted. James Moore house property, Fair Hill vic., MD. Telephone interview, 3 October 2008.

Dudkewitz, Mr&Mrs. David. James Moore house property, Fair Hill vic., MD. Meeting and interview, 30 October 2008.

Md State Archives:

Lake Griffing & Stevenson. Illustrated Atlas of Cecil County, Maryland, 1877.

State Roads Commission Right of Way map. June 11, 1929. Liber SRA. 1. Folio 7.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property less than 1/4 acre

Acreage of historical setting less than 1/4 acre

Quadrangle name Newark West Quad

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Rte 273 is north border, entrance driveway is east border, access road between barns and track is south border and treeline along northwest border would mark west borderline. This property is within the Fair Hill NRMA.

11. Form Prepared by

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street & number	124 St. Andrews Rd.	telephone	410-987-8519
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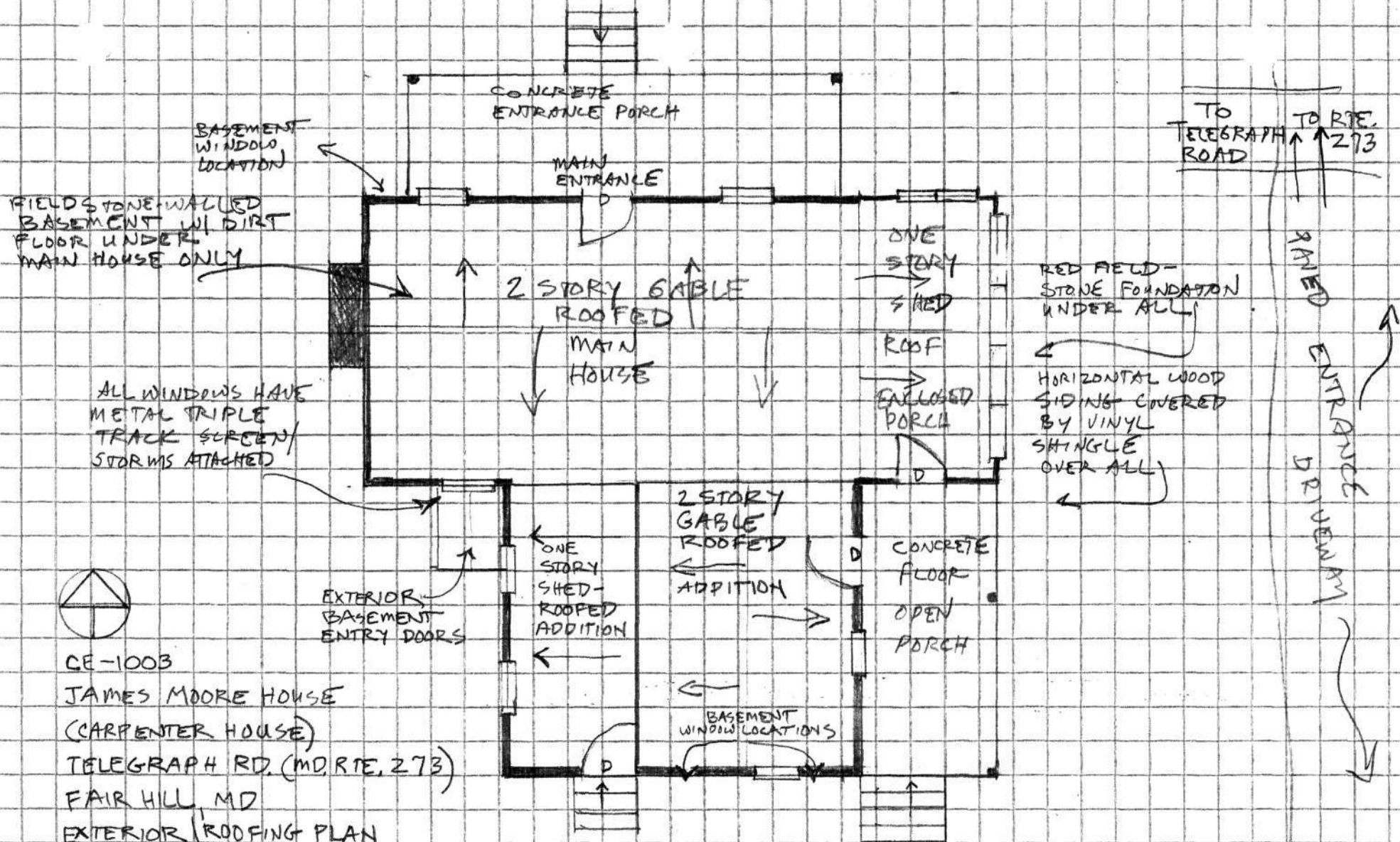
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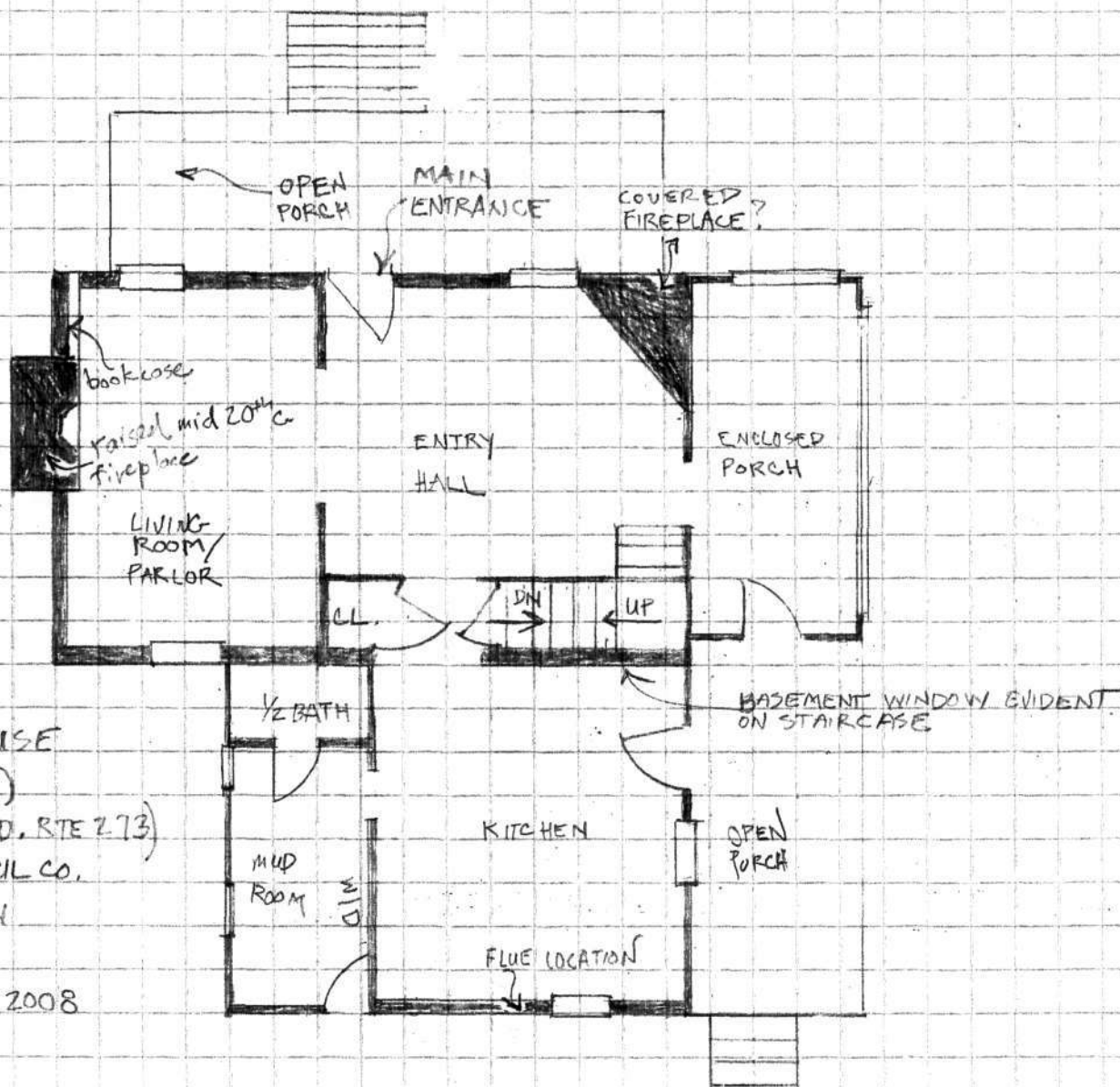
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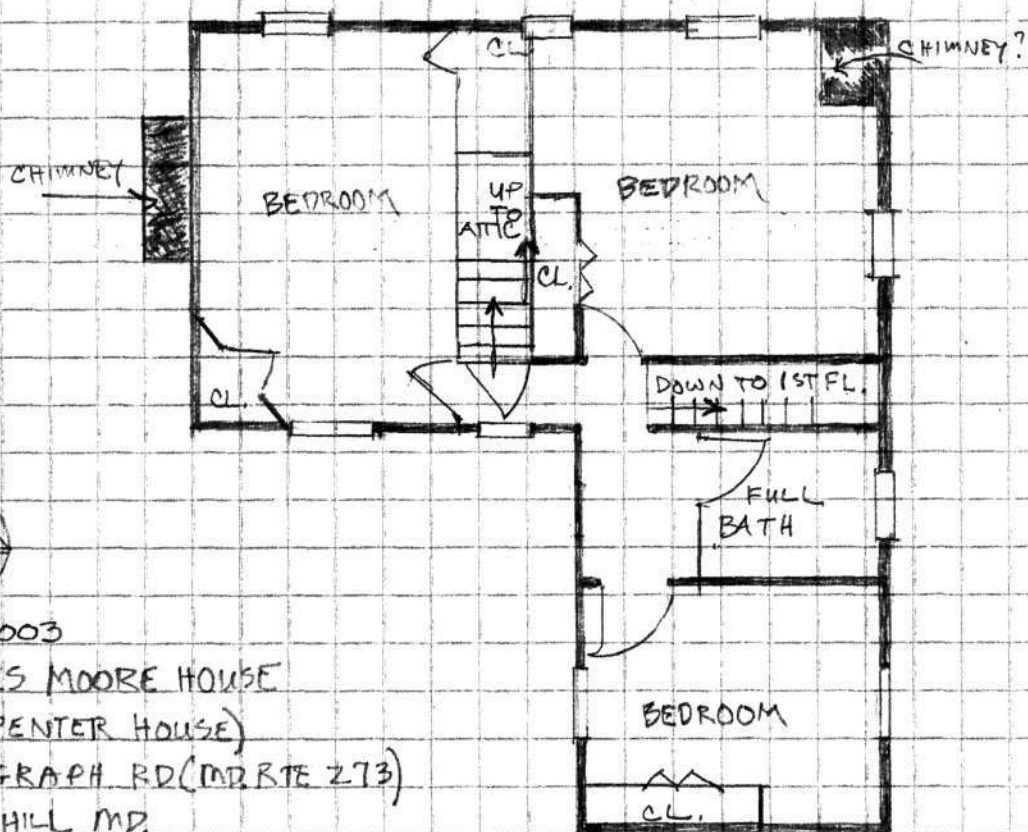
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ONCE ASSOCIATED WITH



CE-1003
 JAMES MOORE HOUSE
 (CARPENTER HOUSE)
 TELEGRAPH RD. (MD. RTE 273)
 FAIR HILL, MD. CECIL CO.
 FIRST FLOOR PLAN
 SCALE: $\frac{1}{8}" = 1'$
 DRAWING: AUG 25, 2008



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CE-1003
 JAMES MOORE HOUSE
 (CARPENTER HOUSE)
 TELEGRAPH RD (MD RTE 273)
 FAIR HILL, MD.
 SECOND FLOOR PLAN
 SCALE: $\frac{1}{8}" = 1'$
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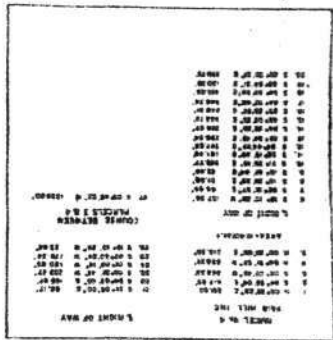
For

Ralph H. Jones Clerk
Circuit Court Cecil County

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COAST 1" 500
JUNE 12, 1974

PHOTOGRAPH OF BANK BARN ASSOCIATED WITH JAMES MOORE HOUSE IN
BACKGROUND, FAIR HILL, CECIL COUNTY, 1975.
BY MRS. DAVID (CHARLOTTE) DUDKEWICZ



**PHOTOGRAPH OF OF THE BARN AND SILOS (6 TOTAL) ASSOCIATED WITH
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BY MRS. DAVID (CHARLOTTE) DUDKEWICZ**



**PHOTOGRAPH OF THE INTERIOR OF ONE OF THE 6 FEEDING BARN
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BY MRS. DAVID (CHARLOTTE) DUDKEWICZ**





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JAMES MOORE HOUSE

CECIL CO., MD.

C. A. MASEK

8/08

MD SHPO

VIEW SOUTHEAST TO HOUSE + BARN'S

LANDSCAPE VIEW

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JAMES MOORE HOUSE

CERIL CO., MD.

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MD SHPO

~~WEST~~ FACADE

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JAMES MOORE HOUSE

CECIL CO., MD

CA MASEK

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MD SHPO

NORTH FACADE

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EAST FACADE DETAIL

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REAR-SOUTH FACADE

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VIEW WEST TO PARLOR-1ST FL

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VIEW SOUTH TO KITCHEN, STAIR- 1ST FLOOR

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2ND FL. - WEST BEDROOM

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Survey No. ^{CE-1003}
~~CE-544~~

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other House, within Fair Hill N.R.M.A.

2. Location

street & number Telegraph Road (MD route 273)

___ not for publication

city, town Elkton

___ vicinity

county Cecil

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Maryland Department of Natural Resources

street & number 580 Taylor Avenue, Tawes State Office Building

telephone (410) 260-8186

city, town Annapolis

state and zip code Maryland, 21401

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.

tax map and parcel

city, town

liber and folio

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ___ Individually Listed in the National Register/Maryland Register
- ___ Contributing Resource in National Register District
- ___ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- ___ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- ___ Recorded by HABS/HAER
- ___ HSR or Research report at MHT
- ___ Other:

6. Classification

CE-1003

Inventory Number: ~~CE-544~~

House

Cecil County, MD

C. Mazurek

June 1998

Section 7.1

Addendum

The House is located in Cecil County, within the Fair Hill N.R.M.A., and off of Telegraph Road (Maryland route 273). When heading east it is on the right and between the Fair Hill Race Track and the Strahorn Curatorship.

The building is two and one-half stories tall, with a rear-facing "L"-shaped plan, and a one-story addition within the center of the "L". In addition there is a one-story front porch, half open and half enclosed, that spans the entire east facade. The foundation is uncut fieldstone with irregular courses throughout. On top of this rests the three-bay, wood frame constructed, upper structure. Windows are generally 1/1, with 2/2 sashes on the enclosed front porch. A large, gable wall, brick chimney is located on west facade of the structure. The entire exterior facades are covered with white asbestos shingles, while the roof has a covering of composition shingles.

Overall the structure appears to be in excellent condition with maintainance done regularly. Nothing seems to have changed on the exterior since the last historic sites survey was completed in the Fair Hill N.R.M.A. during 1979.

8. Significance

Survey No. ~~CE-544~~ → **CE-1003**

Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
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	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register ☒ Maryland Register ☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, and a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, discuss evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual).

*See attached

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Survey No. ~~CE-544~~ ^{CE-1003}

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Eastern Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning.

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Farming

Known Design Source: None

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. ~~CE-544~~ CE-1003

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

name/title C. Mazurek, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Maryland Department of Natural Resources

date 6/26/98

street & number 580 Taylor Avenue, Tawes State Office Building

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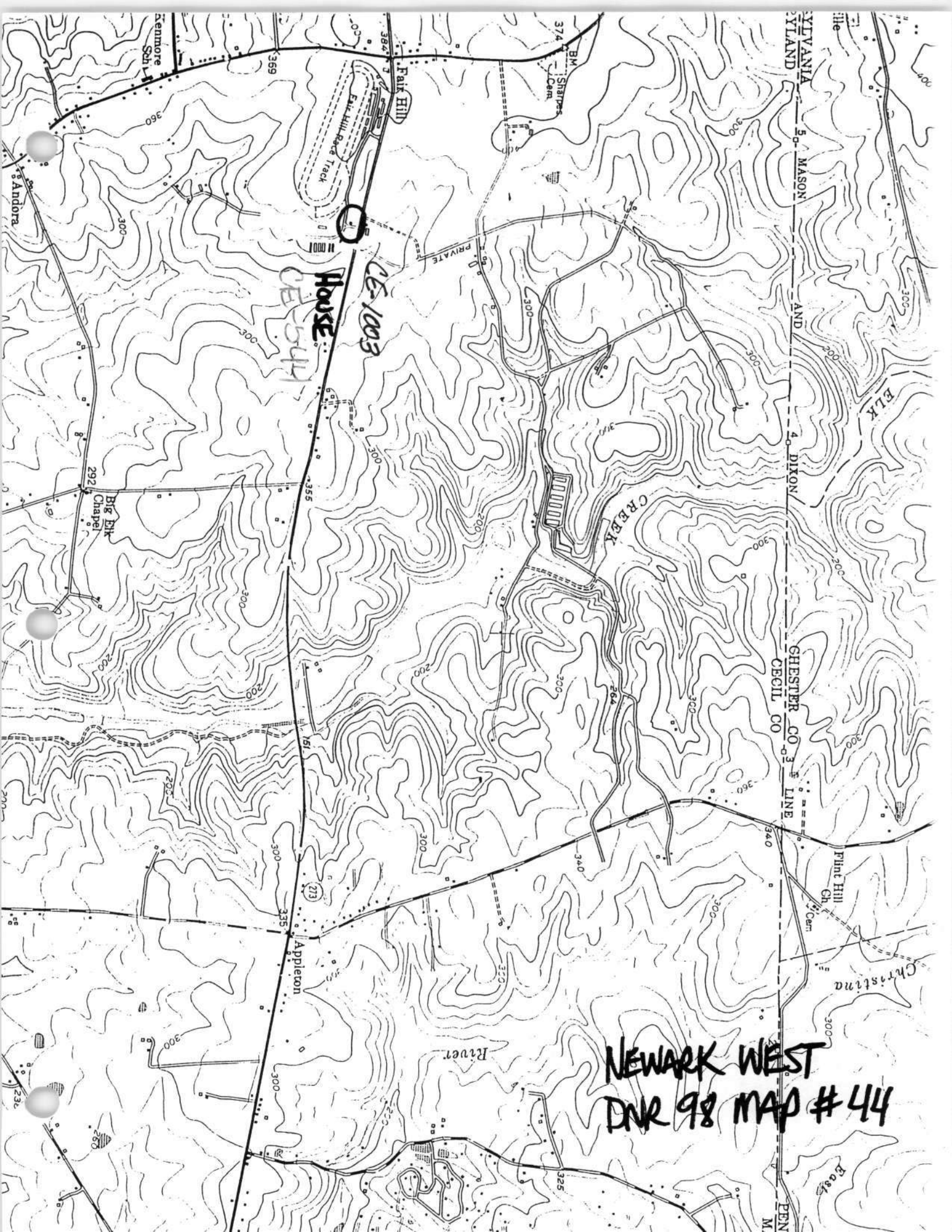
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NEWARK WEST
DNR 98 MAP #44



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DNR HOUSE; FAIR HILL N.R.M.A.
CECIL COUNTY, MD
C. MAZUREK
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DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES
EAST ELEVATION



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DNR HOUSE ; FAIR HILL N.R.M.A.

CECIL COUNTY, MD

C. MAZUREK

1/98

DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES

S.W. ELEVATIONS

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Telegraph Road (MD 273)

CITY, TOWN

Fair Hill

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT
☐ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Typical three bay farmhouse, facing north, with gable roof, east-west ridge, and wing running south from the east end, gable perpendicular to main roof. Large corbeled brick chimney centered on west gable end. One storey open hipped roof porch spans the north elevation. Windows are generally 1/1 with some 6/6 on the wing. Several entrances on the ground floor. Sided with asbestos shingle.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1870

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site is vacant on the 1858 Martenet Map, shows up as the Jas. Moore house on the 1877 Atlas. Typical late 19th Century farmhouse of the area (cf. DNR-28-Fairhill, CE- , McMaster Farmhouse).

Recommendations:

Continue routine maintenance.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Hnedak

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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5. MASON

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4. DIXON

CHESTER CO
CECIL CO

LINE

DAIR - MCCLEARY HOUSE
CE-771

BUNTING HO

DAIR 32, SCHOOL HOUSE
CE-758

DNR-28 MCMASTER HOUSE
CE-362

DNR 16, 17, BARN, FEED MILL

DNR-13 HAY LOFT
CE-300-C

DNR-47 BARN
DNR-45 HOUSE
CE-364-A
CE-364

DNR-04 FINLEY BARN
CE-301-A
DNR-03 CACK TAKERS
HOUSE

DNR-12 SMOKE HOUSE
CE-300-15

DNR-10 BEERS HOUSE
CE-300-

DNR-50
NEW COVERED BRIDGE

DNR-02 FINLEY, HSE
CE-301

DNR-11 BEERS BARN
CE-300-A

DNR 03, 93, TRACK STRUCTURES
CE-552

DNR-103 CLUB
CE-75

DNR-01 COVERED
BRIDGE CE-238

DNR 90-102 TRACK
STRUCTURES CE-552

DNR-72 HOUSE CE-541003

DNR 51 HOUSE

DNR 52 STABLES

DNR 56 STONE HOUSE CE-363

DNR 61 STONE STABLES CE-366

Providence

Kennore Sch

Big Elk
Chapel

TYSON HOUSE
RUINS CE-527

GAYLEN HOUSE
RUINS CE-517

COVERED BRIDGE
SITE CE-516

SCOTT MILL DA

HOUSE RUIN

SCOTT MILL

Andora

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DNR FH-72

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